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### Farm Fresh Newsletter

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## SOUTH KING COUNTY SUMMER FESTIVALS AND PARADES

### June 18 and 19: Burien Strawberry Festival

(SW 146th St and 4th Ave SW) Three stages, children's art activities, visual displays, strawberry shortcake, craft booths, delicious food and more! Contact Discover Burien for more information: 206.433.2882

### June 24, 25, 26: SeaTac International Festival

(Angle Lake Park) Food activities, booths and more! Contact the City of SeaTac for more information: 206.973.4800

### June 25: International Parade, 10:30am

(S. 188th St. to 33rd Ave S. to Angle Lake Park)

### July 9: Tukwila Days Community Festival

(Tukwila Community Center) Music. arts and crafts, entertainment. games, kid's day activities, food and fun! Contact the Tukwila Community Center for more information: 206.768.2822



circus, 5k road race, children's theatre, car show and more! Contact Des Moines Parks and Recreation for more information: 206.870.6527

Contact Kent Lions for more information: 253.852.LION

(Willis Street to James Street in Downtown Kent)

(Liberty Park) Chalk art contest, jazz night, kid's arts and crafts booths, BBQ picnic, golf tournament and more! Contact Renton River Days for more information: 425.430.6528

(S. 3rd St. from Shattuck Ave to Liberty Park)





(Des Moines Marina) Streetball Tournament, youth

### July 14 - 17: Kent Cornucopia Days

(various locations) Dragon boat races, soccer tournament, 5k run/walk, street fair and more!

### July 17: Cornucopia Parade, 2pm

### July 19 - 24: Renton River Days

### July 23: River Days Parade, 10am

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# Julia Patterson King County Council

### Dear Neighbors,

Summer is just around the corner! With it comes festivals, parades, outdoor concerts and, of course, farm fresh produce and farmers markets.

Did you know there are lavender, alpaca and blueberry farms right here in South King County? Or that Renton, Kent and Burien all host weekly farmers markets and the Tukwila Farmers Market hopes to open its doors this summer too?

In this newsletter, I've outlined where you and your family can go for summer fun on the farm. Have family or friends visiting from out of town? Take them to the Kennydale Blueberry Farm for fresh blueberries or to the Chelsea Farm to visit the alpacas - a favorite for kids!

Prior to the 4th of July weekend, I'll supplement this newsletter with an e-newsletter on South King County parks and gardens. In order to receive it, be sure to sign up for my e-newsletter by going to my website: www.metrokc.gov/patterson. It is so easy to subscribe and once you do, you'll receive bi-weekly or monthly e-newsletters on important and interesting King County news.

Enjoy the warm days, fresh produce and beautiful flowers that only summer brings!

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### **Farmers Markets**

#### 1 Burien Farmers Market

The Burien Farmers Market is supplied by farmers and producers from Western Washington. This is the first year Burien's Farmers Market will operate. Come out and support your local farmers!

Thursdays 11am – 6pm, from May 12 – October 6

On 4th Ave between SW 152nd and SW 150th in Downtown Burien www.discoverburien.com; Debra George: 206.433.2882

#### 2 Kent Farmers Market

The Kent Farmers Market, in it's second year as an open air market, features in-season vegetables, fruits, flowers, plants and crafters.

Saturdays 9am – 2pm, from June 4 – October 15

### On the corner of 4th Ave and Smith Street in Downtown Kent

www.kentfarmersmarket.com; Brian lpsen: **253.486.9316** 

#### 3 Renton Farmers Market

The Renton Farmers Market features fresh, grownin-Washington produce, flowers and select locallymade food products. Musical entertainment and children's activities too!

Tuesdays 3pm – 7pm, from June 7 – September 20

In Renton Piazza on 3rd St. between Logan and Burnett Ave

www.renton-chamber.com; Gene Sens: 206.772.8478

### 4 Tukwila Farmers Market

The Tukwila Farmers Market hopes to open its doors this summer along Tukwila International Boulevard at 144th St. For more information or to volunteer at the Farmer's Market, please call Derek Speck 206.433.1832 or email him at dspeck@ci.tukwila.wa.us.

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### 5 Carpinito Brothers Farm

Carpinito, family owned for over 30 years, has landscaping and gardening supplies like bark, topsoil and gravel, as well as flowers, hanging baskets, vegetable starts, nursery stock, planters, seeds, tools and gloves. The also grow and sell a wide variety of fresh produce picked daily.

Daily 9am – 6pm, year-round

1148 N. Central, Kent

Leone Reinhardt/Chet Dixon: 253.854.5692

### **6** Chelsea Farms

Home to more than 100 Suri and Huacaya Alpacas, Chelsea Farms offers alpacas for sale, plus breeding and boarding services. Chelsea Farms also has a wide variety of fiber, yarn, clothing and gift items in farm store.

Open by appointment only

19450 208th Ave SE, Renton www.thealpacaplace.com; Randy Brealey: 425.413.3900

#### 7 Fresh Flower Farm

The Fresh Flower Farm has fresh cut flowers, arrangements, bouquets, U-cut, dry flower bouquets, farm produce and blueberries.

Daily 10am – 6pm, from June – November

28229 W. Valley Highway, Kent Yee or Paochia Hang: 425.255.2409

### **8** Fruit Tree Nursery

The Fruit Tree Nursery grows a variety of shrubs and trees; both coniferous and deciduous. Also, 20 varieties of lavender plants.

Daily 8:30 - 5:30 pm, year round

25189 Frager Rd S, Kent Doug Weiks: 253.852.9233

### 9 Kennydale Blueberry Farm

The Kennydale Blueberry Farm offers U-pick blueberries that are naturally grown and contain no sprays.

Wednesday – Saturday from 9am – 6pm, from mid-July – late September

1733 NE 20th St, Renton

Sue Larson-Kinzer: **425.228.9623** (please limit calls to business hours)

### 10 Renton Lavender Farm

The Renton Lavender Farm features U-pick (from among over 2000 plants) or purchase dried or fresh lavender in the Lavender Shop.

Sunday – Friday, 9am – 6pm, from June – October Sunday – Friday, 10am – 4pm, from November – May

14820 SE Jones PI, Renton

www.rentonlavender.com; Sam Choi: 206.300.1935

### **11** Whistling Train Farm

The Whistling Train Farm has certified naturally grown vegetables from artichokes to zucchini. Also, fresh eggs and naturally-raised pork available.

Open by appointment.

27127 78th Ave S, Kent

www.whistlingtrainfarm.com;

Mike Verdi/Shelley Pasco: 253.859.5197

